

# **MEDIA ADVISORY - SEASONAL WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS SUSPENDED**

**WHAT:** Seasonal Weight Restrictions Suspended

**WHEN:** Effective 6 a.m. on Monday, April 2, 2018

**WHERE:** Countywide

**WHY:** Road and Weather Conditions

**BACKGROUND:** The Washtenaw County Road Commission will **SUSPEND the Seasonal Weight Restrictions effective 6 a.m. on Monday, April 2, 2018.** This action is taken in accordance with the Washtenaw County Board of Road Commissioners' Resolution No. RC09-052, and pursuant to Act 300 of the Public Acts of 1949, as amended [MCL §257.722]. Information about Seasonal Weight Restrictions is available on the Road Commission's website: <http://www.wcroads.org/road-work-construction/seasonal-weight-restrictions/>

Seasonal Weight Restrictions recently went into effect beginning February 19, 2018 and the restrictions will have been in effect for 42 days. Typically each spring in accordance with state law, the Road Commission reduces the weight and speed limits for trucks as temperatures begin to rise and the ground begins to thaw. As the road subsurface thaws, the roads' ability to carry weight is reduced, meaning that a weight that would not affect a road under normal conditions, might now damage the road. These restrictions help to extend/preserve the service life of the roadways

For a statewide listing of the status of seasonal weight restrictions for other county road commissions, visit the County Road Association of Michigan website at [www.micountyroads.org](http://www.micountyroads.org).

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